

| Session and Chapter. | Title. | Extent of Repeal. |
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| 17 & 18 Vict. c. 103.— <i>cont.</i> | | seven; section twenty-eight from the words "and shall be" "conducted in manner following" to "carefully preserved by the presiding officer, and," and the question numbered I., section thirty from "the returning officer" to "each person and," and section thirty-one, and so much of any Act as incorporates the part of the said section twenty-four hereby repealed. |
| 25 & 26 Vict. c. 62. | An Act to amend the law relating to the duration of contested elections for counties in Ireland, and for establishing additional places for taking the poll thereat. | Part of section four, namely, so much as prescribes the interval between the day fixed for the election and the polling; section five, sections eight to ten. Section one, and section two from the words "and in every city or town" to the end of that section. |
| 25 & 26 Vict. c. 92. | An Act to limit the time for proceeding to elections in counties and boroughs in Ireland. | Section twelve from the words "several boroughs" to the word "Cork," and the words "and county of the city of Limerick." |
| 31 & 32 Vict. c. 49. | An Act to amend the representation of the people in Ireland. | Sections four to thirty; section thirty-eight. |
| 31 & 32 Vict. c. 112. | An Act to amend the law of registration in Ireland. | |

CHAPTER 34.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Election of Directors of the Bank of England.

[18th July 1872.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Not above seven eighths of the old directors to be chosen.
8 & 9 W. 3. c. 20. s. 52.

1. Section fifty-two of the Act of the session of the eighth and ninth years of King William the Third, intituled "An Act for making good the deficiences of several funds therein mentioned, and for enlarging the capital stock of the Bank of England, and for raising the publick credit," (which section relates to elections of directors of the Bank of England,) shall have effect as if seven eighths had been therein mentioned instead of two thirds.

2. Any new or altered byelaw from time to time made by a general court of the corporation of the Bank of England for the execution of this Act, not being repugnant to the law of England, shall be effectual, without further confirmation or approval.

3. This Act may be cited as The Bank of England (Election of Directors) Act, 1872.

CHAPTER 35.

An Act for the Amendment of the Act of Uniformity.

[18th July 1872.]

WHEREAS by the Act of Uniformity it is enacted that all and singular ministers in any cathedral, collegiate, or parish church or chapel, or other place of public worship in England, shall be bound to say and use the Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, celebration and administration of both the Sacraments, and all other the public and common prayer, in such order and form as is mentioned in the Book of Common Prayer annexed to the said Act:

And whereas in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine Commissioners were appointed by Her Majesty to inquire and consider, amongst other matters, the differences of practice which have arisen from varying interpretations put upon the rubrics, orders, and directions for regulating the course and conduct of public worship, the administration of the sacraments, and the other services contained in the Book of Common Prayer, with a view of explaining or amending the said rubrics, orders, and directions so as to secure general uniformity of practice in such matters as may be deemed essential, and to report thereon from time to time, having regard not only to the said rubrics, orders, and directions, but also to any other laws or customs relating to the matters aforesaid, with power to suggest any alterations, improvements, or amendments with respect to such matters or any of them:

And whereas the said Commissioners have by their Report dated the thirty-first day of August one thousand eight hundred and seventy recommended in manner therein mentioned:

And whereas Her Majesty was pleased to authorise the Convocations of Canterbury and York to consider the said Report of the said Commissioners, and to report to Her Majesty thereon, and the said Convocations have accordingly made their first reports to Her Majesty:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Par-

liament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Definitions.

1. In this Act.—

The term "Act of Uniformity" means the Act of the fourteenth year of the reign of King Charles the Second, chapter four, intituled "An Act for the Uniformity of Public Prayers and Administration of Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies, and for establishing the Form of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons in the Church of England," and includes the enactments confirmed and applied by that

Act to the Book of Common Prayer:

The term "Book of Common Prayer" means the book annexed to the said Act of the reign of King Charles the Second, and intituled "The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church according to the Use of the Church of England, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David pointed as they are to be sung or said in Churches, and the Form or Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons:"

The term "cathedral" means a cathedral or collegiate church in which the Book of Common Prayer is required by the Act of Uniformity to be used:

The term "church" means any parish church, chapel, or other place of public worship which is not a cathedral as before defined, and in which the Book of Common Prayer is required by the Act of Uniformity to be used.

Use of shortened form of Morning and Evening Prayer.

2. The shortened Order for Morning Prayer or for Evening Prayer specified in the schedule to this Act, may, on any day except Sunday, Christmas Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Ascension Day, be used, if in a cathedral in addition to, and if in a church in lieu of, the Order for Morning Prayer or for Evening Prayer respectively prescribed by the Book of Common Prayer.

Special service for special occasions.

3. Upon any special occasion approved by the ordinary, there may be used in any cathedral or church a special form of service approved by the ordinary, so that there be not introduced into such service anything, except anthems or hymns, which does not form part of the Holy Scriptures or Book of Common Prayer.

Additional service on Sundays and holy-days.

4. An additional form of service varying from any form prescribed by the Book of Common Prayer may be used at any hour on any Sunday or holy-day in any cathedral or church in which there are duly read, said, or sung as required by law on such Sunday or holy-day at some other hour or hours the Order for Morning Prayer, the Litany, such part of the Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper or Holy

Communion as is required to be read on Sundays and holy-days if there be no Communion, and the Order for Evening Prayer, so that there be not introduced into such additional service any portion of the Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion, or anything, except anthems or hymns, which does not form part of the Holy Scriptures or Book of Common Prayer, and so that such form of service and the mode in which it is used is for the time being approved by the ordinary; provided that nothing in this section shall affect the use of any portion of the Book of Common Prayer as otherwise authorised by the Act of Uniformity or this Act.

5. Whereas doubts have arisen as to whether the following forms of service, that is to say, the Order for Morning Prayer, the Litany, and the Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion, may be used as separate services,

Separation of services.

and it is expedient to remove such doubts: Be it therefore enacted and declared, that any of such forms of service may be used together or in varying order as separate services, or that the Litany may be said after the third collect in the Order for Evening Prayer, either in lieu of or in addition to the use of the Litany in the Order for Morning Prayer, without prejudice nevertheless to any legal powers vested in the ordinary; and any of the said forms of service may be used with or without the preaching of a sermon or lecture, or the reading of a homily.

6. Whereas doubts have arisen as to whether a sermon or lecture may be preached without the common prayers and services appointed by the Book of Common Prayer for the time of day being previously read, and it is expedient to remove such doubts: Be it therefore enacted and declared, that a sermon or lecture may be preached without the common prayers or services appointed by the Book of Common Prayer being read before it is preached, so that such sermon or lecture be preceded by any service authorised by this Act, or by the Bidding Prayer, or by a collect taken from the Book of Common Prayer, with or without the Lord's Prayer.

Preaching a sermon without previous service.

7. Nothing in this Act shall affect the provision with respect to the chapels of colleges in the universities of Oxford, Cambridge, and Durham, which is contained in section six of the Universities Tests Act, 1871.

Saving of 34 & 35 Vict. c. 26. s. 6.

8. The schedule to this Act, and the notes thereto and directions therein, shall be construed and have effect as part of this Act.

9. This Act may be cited as "The Act of Uniformity Amendment Act, 1872."

Short title.

SCHEDULE.

NOTE.—The Minister using the Shortened Order for Morning Prayer or for Evening Prayer in this Schedule, may in his discretion add in its proper place any exhortation, prayer, canticle, hymn, psalm, or lesson contained in the Order for Morning Prayer or for Evening Prayer in the Book of Common Prayer and omitted or authorised to be omitted from such shortened order.

Each of the twenty-two portions into which the one hundred and nineteenth psalm is divided in the Book of Common Prayer shall be deemed, for the purposes of this schedule, to be a separate psalm.

SHORTENED FORMS OF SERVICE.

THE SHORTENED ORDER FOR MORNING PRAYER DAILY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, EXCEPT ON SUNDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY, ASH WEDNESDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, AND ASCENSION DAY.

At the beginning of Morning Prayer the Minister shall read with a loud voice some one or more of these sentences of the Scriptures that follow.

When the wicked man, &c.

A general Confession to be said of the whole Congregation after the Minister, all kneeling.

Almighty and most merciful Father, &c.

The Absolution, or Remission of sins, to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing, the people still kneeling.

Almighty God, the Father, &c.

The people shall answer here, and at the end of all other prayers, Amen.

Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer with an audible voice; the people also kneeling, and repeating it with him.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c.

Then likewise he shall say,

O Lord, open thou our lips.
&c. &c. &c.

Here, all standing up, the Priest shall say,

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Then shall follow one or more of the Psalms appointed. And at the end of every Psalm throughout the year, and likewise at the end of Benedicite, Benedictus, Magnificat, and Nunc dimittis, shall be repeated,

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Then shall be read distinctly, with an audible voice, either the First Lesson taken out of the Old Testament as is appointed in the Calendar, or the Second Lesson taken out of the New Testament, except there be a Proper Lesson assigned for that day, in which case the proper Lesson shall be read, and if there are two Proper Lessons each shall be read in its proper place; he that readeth so standing and turning himself as he may best be heard of all such as are present.

Note that before every Lesson the Minister shall say, Here beginneth such a Chapter, or Verse of such a Chapter, of such a Book. And after every Lesson, Here endeth the Lesson, or the First or the Second Lesson.

And after the Lesson, or between the First and Second Lessons, shall be said or sung in English one of the following :

Either the Hymn called, Te Deum Laudamus.

We praise thee, O God, &c.

Or this Canticle, Benedicite, omnia opera.

O all ye works of the Lord, &c.

Or the Hymn following (except when that shall happen to be read in the Lesson for the day, or for the Gospel on Saint John Baptist's Day) :

Benedictus. St. Luke i. 68.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, &c.

Or this Psalm :

Jubilate Deo.

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands, &c.

Then shall be sung or said the Apostles Creed by the Minister and the people standing.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, &c.

And after that, the people all devoutly kneeling, the Minister shall pronounce with a loud voice,

The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Minister. Let us pray.

Then the Priest shall say,

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
&c. &c. &c.

Then shall follow three Collects. The first of the day, which shall be the same that is appointed at the Communion; the second for Peace; the third for grace to live well; and the two last Collects shall never alter, but daily be said at Morning Prayer throughout all the year, as followeth, all kneeling.

The second Collect for Peace.

O God, who art the Author of peace, &c.

The third Collect for Grace.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, &c.

Here may follow an Anthem or Hymn :

Then these two Prayers following :

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostome.

Almighty God, who hast given us grace, &c.

2 Corinthians, xiii.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

Here endeth the Shortened Order of Morning Prayer.

THE SHORTENED ORDER FOR EVENING PRAYER DAILY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, EXCEPT ON SUNDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY, ASH WEDNESDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, AND ASCENSION DAY.

At the beginning of Evening Prayer the Minister shall read with a loud voice some one or more of these sentences of the Scriptures that follow :

When the wicked man, &c.

A general Confession to be said of the whole Congregation, after the Minister, all kneeling.

Almighty and most merciful Father, &c.

The Absolution, or Remission of sins, to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing ; the people still kneeling.

Almighty God, the Father, &c.

Then the Minister shall kneel and say the Lord's Prayer ; the people also kneeling, and repeating it with him.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c.

Then likewise he shall say,

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Here, all standing up, the Priest shall say,

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Then shall be said or sung one or more of the Psalms in order as they be appointed. Then either a Lesson of the Old Testament as is appointed, or a Lesson of the New Testament as it is appointed, except there be a Proper Lesson assigned for that day, in which case the Proper Lesson shall be read, and if there are two Proper Lessons each shall be read in its proper place ; and after the Lesson, or between the First and Second Lessons, shall be said or sung in English one of the following :

Either Magnificat, or the Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary in English, as follows :

Magnificat. St. Luke i.

My soul doth magnify the Lord, &c.

Or this Psalm (except it be on the nineteenth day of the month, when it is read in the ordinary course of the Psalms).

Cantate Domino. Psalm xcvi.

O sing unto the Lord a new song, &c.

Or Nunc dimittis (or the Song of Simeon), as followeth :

Nunc dimittis. St. Luke ii. 29.

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant, &c.

Or else this Psalm (except it be on the twelfth day of the month) :

Deus misereatur. Psalm lxvii.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, &c.

Then shall be said or sung the Apostles Creed by the Minister and the people, standing :

I believe in God the Father Almighty, &c.

And after that, the people all devoutly kneeling, the Minister shall pronounce with a loud voice :

The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Minister. Let us pray.

Then the Priest shall say,

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us,

&c. &c. &c.

Then shall follow three Collects. The first of the day ; the second for Peace ; the third for aid against all perils, as hereafter followeth ; which two last Collects shall be daily said at Evening Prayer without Alteration.

The second Collect at Evening Prayer.

O God, from whom all holy desires, &c.

The third Collect for Aid against all Perils.

Lighten our darkness, &c.

Here may follow an Anthem or Hymn.

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostome.

Almighty God, who hast given us grace, &c.

2 Corinthians, xiii.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

Here endeth the Shortened Order of Evening Prayer.

CHAPTER 36.

An Act to render it unlawful to demand any Fee or Reward for the Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism, or the Registry thereof.

[18th July 1872.]

WHEREAS doubts have been entertained whether in certain churches and chapels of the Church of England as by law established, under the authority of certain Local Acts of Parliament or custom, fees may not now be demanded for the administration of the sacrament of baptism, or for the due registration of such administration :

And whereas it is expedient that such doubts should not exist :

Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

1. That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall not be lawful for the minister, clerk in orders, parish clerk, vestry clerk, warden, or any other person to demand any fee or reward for the celebration of the sacrament of baptism, or for

Fee for celebration of baptism unlawful.